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The Honorable Peter DeFazio
Chair
House Committee on T&I
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Ranking Member Sam Graves
Ranking Member
House Committee on T&I
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the West Virginia University (WVU) Passenger Stations Rehabilitation Project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is West Virginia University Personal Rapid Transit System and the project is located at West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV, 26505.

The funding is designated for the refurbishment of the remaining four PRT stations structural components and enhancing station aesthetics. The PRT Passenger Station Modernization Project will attempt to return the PRT stations to a state of good repair as per Federal Transit Administration requirements. Structural components including stairs, railings, platform surfaces, and walkways will be refurbished.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits by providing WVU students safer transportation among the three campuses that are connected by the PRT. Along with members of the Morgantown community who utilize the PRT to travel to the hospital or other various parts of Morgantown where the PRT stops.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



David B. McKinley, P.E.
Member of Congress